

Words Escape Me

by Jarid Campbell

Words escape me
They leave from every cell
of my existence at once
Time is disjointed
What I mean to say
has become inert, like stone

Mudslide

by Avendor

I plucked these words from the vine
and placed them in a sparkling glass bowl,
by the robin's egg blue vase.
I walked through the dining room
I walked through the living room
I stood up desperately
And I sat down defeated.
Can you see me my love
in my mansion in the hills
Can you see me my love
with all the tears that I've spilled
For they have rotted this house
foundations and all
And in the next rainstorm
this house surely shall fall.

Feral Love

by j.mccurdy

When our ancestors
Visit
To tie the truth of our connection
Together

I will say I love u then

When
Strength combines
Into
Unconditional

When the why's and wherefores disappear
And are
Replaced by
Acceptance
I will say
I love u then
When curiosity
Becomes tamed
By reality
And requirement gives way
Gives way to the what is
Yes. I will
Say I love you then
when we can celebrate
Each other's journeys
And homecomings
With equal fervor

I will say
I love you
Then
When returned affection
Ceases to be demanded
And gets to happen
Naturally
Like the seasons
With its ebb and flow
when we can laugh together
At hallmark cards
And the ridiculous of
Valentine's Day and romance novels
Yes yes I will
Say I love u then

When my smile in the moonlight
Reduces your heart
To awe
With its beauty
And my laughter becomes
A lullaby
To the wounds
In your soul
I will say
I love you
Then
until then
I will stand back
And watch u grow..
I will celebrate your joys
Without
Attachment to my participation in them
I will clean your wounds
And wipe those unseen
Tears.... without the need for
Acknowledgement
I will
Walk with u
Towards
Healthy and whole
With or without
Promises or conditions
Towards whoever u like

Because that's
What feral love does

And after all
That's the thing bout
Feral love and free will

Neither one
Can
Exist

Without them both
Sharing
The
Same space

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